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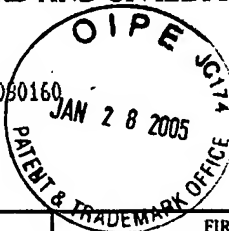
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**TITLE OF INVENTION:** METHOD FOR DECOMPOSING POLYESTERS CONTAINING AROMATIC MOIETIES, A DENIER REDUCTION METHOD OF FIBER, AND MICROORGANISMS HAVING ACTIVITY OF DECOMPOSING THE POLYESTER

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